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In re Application of: Andrew Desin

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A MATERIAL CONDITIONER AND STABILIZER AND METHOD FOR MAKING AND USING SAME

## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

It is believed that this Preliminary Amendment is being filed prior to the issuance of the first Office Action. Therefore, kindly amend the application as follows:

36. (new) A compound for enhancing the physical properties of a mining material having pliantcy, durability, and imperviousness, said compound comprising:

from about 55 to about 75% by weight a resin;

from about 20 to about 30% by weight a polymer; and

from about 1 to about 15% by weight an emulsifier;

wherein said compound is mixed with an asphalt emulsion; and

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wherein said resin and said polymer change at least one of said pliantcy, durability, and imperviousness of the material.

37. (new) A compound for enhancing the physical properties of a material used as a patch for paved roads having pliantcy, durability, and imperviousness, said compound comprising:

from about 55 to about 75% by weight a resin;

from about 20 to about 30% by weight a polymer; and

from about 1 to about 15% by weight an emulsifier;

wherein said compound is mixed with an asphalt emulsion; and

wherein said resin and said polymer change at least one of said pliantcy, durability, and imperviousness of the material.

It is believed that no fee is due in connection with this Preliminary Amendment.

However, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees or credits due in connection with this filing to Deposit Account No. 18-0586.

Respectfully submitted

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- 2. Fee Transmittal Form
- 3. Check in the amount of \$86.00 for the filing fee for two (2) additional independent claims; and
- 4. A self-addressed stamped postcard, return of which is requested to acknowledge receipt of the enclosed documents.

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